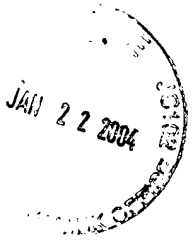


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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Sir:

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, for the above identified application.

**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**

2. This request is being submitted:

I. ☒ **Prior to abandonment of the application**

ii. ☐ **Payment of the issue fee**  
☐ Prior to payment of issue fee.  
☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted

iii. ☐ **Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences**  
☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals &

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Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed

- iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §114, OR  
☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §146  
☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action  
☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

### ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:

- ☒ **A Petition for Extension of Time for one (1) month.**  
☒ **Please enter the unentered Amendment mailed on December 18, 2003.**  
☐ Please enter the enclosed PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT.  
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. §1.98) with PTO-1449 and Five (5) references.  
☐ New arguments  
☐ New evidence in support of patentability  
☐ Other:

### FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. §1.17(e))

4. ☒ Filing fee has been calculated as shown below after entering the previous amendment and the preliminary amendment (other than small entity):

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	x Rate	Additional Fees
Total Claims	13	-20	=0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claim	3	-3	=0	x \$ 86	\$ 0.00
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Basic filing Fee					\$770.00
Total					\$770.00

5. ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 in the amount of \$ 770.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.25. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
6. ☐ This application, as amended, names as inventors:  
☐ the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.  
☐ fewer than the inventors previously designated and a statement accompanies this request for the deletion of the name or names of the person or persons who are not inventors of the invention now being claimed.  
☐ a person not named previously as an inventor and a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.48 is/has separately: ☐ being filed ☐ been filed
7. ☐ A request for deferral of examination accompanies this Request for Continued Examination.

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Respectfully submitted,



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